FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

United States
Department of
Agriculture

Agricultural Marketing Service

DATE: March 12, 2002

PURCHASE AND OFFER TO BUY: CHICKEN AND CHICKEN PRODUCTS; PURCHASES

OF SMALL AND LARGE BULK PACK CHICKEN

NEARING END

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 2,304,000 pounds of chicken and chicken products at a cost of approximately \$958,000 for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds	Awarded Prices Inv. No. 20	No. of Bids Accepted
chilled bulk pack (small)	360,000	\$0.4299-\$0.4401	2 of 2
chilled bulk pack (large)	1,944,000	\$0.4099-\$0.4300	2 of 4

It was also announced that purchases of small and large bulk pack chicken are nearing completion.

Total purchases of chicken and chicken products since the program was announced May 7, 2001, follow:

Product	Cumulative Pounds	Cumulative Dollars
<pre>cut-up chicken cooked batter/breaded chilled bulk pack (small) chilled bulk pack (large) chilled bulk pack (thighs)</pre>	18,840,000 3,744,000 17,424,000 75,096,000 288,000	\$11,481,000 \$ 4,881,000 \$ 8,560,000 \$34,494,000 \$ 102,000

Next offers under Announcement PY-244 are due by 12 noon, Central Time, on the following date:

Inv. Number	Product Type	Offer Date	Acceptance Not Later Than Date	Delivery Period
21	chilled bulk pack (large & small)	March 25	March 29	May 1-15

As stated in the September 21 Notice to the Trade, all offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?. Offers submitted on and after October 1, 2001, by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250. An electronic version of this Food Purchase Report can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

The awards for chicken and chicken products made today under Announcement PY-244, Invitation 20, to be delivered from April 16 to April 30, follow:

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY244

COMM GROUP : CHICKEN, FROZEN INVITATION : 020

COMMODITY TYPE : CHICKEN, FRESH/FROZEN BULK SM PACK SIZE : 2 1/2 - 3 3/4 LB BULK PACK

CONTRACTOR NAME: GOLD KIST POULTRY CO. PLANT ADDRESS : SUMTER

ITEM NUM	DESTINATIO	ON ST	QUANTITY (LBS)	 ICE PER LB)
001	SUMTER	SC	72,000	\$ 0.4401

TOTAL AWARDED: 72,000

CONTRACTOR NAME: TYSON FOODS, INC. PLANT ADDRESS : WALDRON AR

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PRICE PER		
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)	
001	SUMTER	SC	72,000	\$	0.4299	

PLANT ADDRESS : CARTHAGE ΤХ

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PRICE PER	
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)	
001	SUMTER	SC	108,000	\$	0.4299

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ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PRICE PER	
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)
001	SUMTER	SC	108,000	\$	0.4299

TOTAL AWARDED: 288,000

COMMODITY TYPE : CHICKEN, FRESH/FROZEN BULK LG

PACK SIZE : OVER 3.75 LB BULK PACK

CONTRACTOR NAME: GOLD KIST POULTRY CO. PLANT ADDRESS : BOAZ AL

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PRICE PER		
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)	
003	BOAZ	AL	1,656,000	\$	0.4099	

TOTAL AWARDED: 1,656,000

CONTRACTOR NAME: TYSON FOODS, INC. PLANT ADDRESS : NEW HOLLAND PA

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PRICE PER		
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)		
002	NEW HOLLAND	PA	288,000	\$	0.4300	

TOTAL AWARDED: 288,000

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